

INTELLIGENCE PRODUCERS COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH: Deputy Director for Intelligence
Chairman, Intelligence Producers Council

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Chairman, Foreign Disclosure Study Group

SUBJECT: DCI Directive on Intelligence Disclosure Policy (U)

1. Action Requested: Your concurrence in the attached draft DCID on Intelligence Disclosure Policy, and dissemination to NFIB principals for review and comment prior to your final approval. (U)

2. Background: The scope and number of intelligence briefings to foreign officials, particularly senior foreign officials, have grown markedly in recent years. These briefings, as well as other disclosures both formal and informal, are delivered by various US organizations using different materials, and are presented to different officials within foreign governments and international organizations. As a result, the recipients often are left confused as to what the US position is, and who speaks for US intelligence. Furthermore, there is a potential for disruption of our intelligence liaison relationships, and your responsibility for protecting intelligence sources and methods is made more difficult. (U)

3. Executive Orders 12036 and 12333 both assigned the Director of Central Intelligence the responsibility and authority for formulating policies concerning foreign intelligence arrangements with foreign governments. A comprehensive statement of DCI policy in this regard has, however, never been developed, nor have overall implementing procedures been established. (U)

4. On 30 March 1981, the Secretary of State sent you and the Secretary of Defense a request to support the development of mechanisms and procedures for coordinating intelligence presentations to foreign officials. At the 28 May 1981 NFIB meeting you informed the Board of your intention to review foreign disclosure procedures and to develop revised procedures as appropriate. Implementation of this decision was begun immediately, but was subsequently postponed by Adm. Inman pending issuance of the new Executive Order 12333. On 4 December 1981 draft terms of reference for this study were disseminated to the Community to begin coordination. You approved the terms of reference on 28 April 1982. (U)

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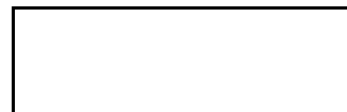
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5. For almost a year the Foreign Disclosure Study Group has been examining and grappling with this problem. The result is a draft DCID on Intelligence Disclosure Policy, attached for your review. (U)

6. Staff Position: The Intelligence Disclosure Policy DCID affirms your responsibilities and authorities regarding the disclosure of US intelligence to foreign officials, and establishes policy, criteria, and procedures governing such disclosures. The need for such an authoritative document is generally accepted in the Community, although there have been differences as to details. As written the DCID has received working level concurrence among CIA, NSA, INR, and DoD. In most cases the NFIB principals are aware of the DCID, but have reserved formal comments until the NFIB review process. (U)

7. The DCID, while providing policy governing all disclosures, requires new actions in only one area--the disclosure of intelligence to senior foreign officials when such disclosures reflect or can be construed as reflecting US analytic judgments. New coordination and record-keeping procedures are established for these situations. (U)

8. Recommendations: That you express general concurrence with this draft DCID, and that NFIB be asked for comments prior to your final approval. (U)



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CONCUR:

Director of Central Intelligence_____
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